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Sir:

This is a Request for filing a  $\square$  continuation  $\boxtimes$  divisional continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior Application No. 09/214,277 filed on March 1, 1999, contents of which are hereby incorporated by entire reference, by.

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for

NOVEL PARA-TERPHENYL COMPOUNDS

Enclosed is an application consisting of specification, 1. 冈 drawings/photographs declaration and claims, applicable).

2.  $\square$  The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

			LARGE ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY
·	BASIC FEE		\$770.00	\$385.00
,	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE FEE	RATE FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	18-20 =	0	x 18 = \$0.00	x 9 = \$0.00
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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED			+ \$290.00	+ \$145.00
		TOTAL	\$1,060.00	\$0.00

3.	$\boxtimes$	A check in the amount of \$1,060.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.
4.		Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.
5.		Enclosed is/are () sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.
6a.		A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 09/214,277 on See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.
6b.		The current application qualifies for small entity status.
7.		The prior application is assigned to <u>Shionogi &amp; Co.,</u> Ltd.
8.	$\boxtimes$	A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
9a.		Priority of Application No(s) filed in on is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on
9b.		Priority of International Appln. <a href="PCT/JP97/02635">PCT/JP97/02635</a> filed on July 30, 1997 under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and Japanese Application No. 8-201859, 8-287782 and 9-

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86085 filed in <u>Japan</u> on <u>July 31, 1996, October 30, 1996</u> and <u>March 18, 1997, respectively</u> under 35 U.S.C. § 120 and/or § 119 are hereby reclaimed.

- 10. An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
- 11. Address all future communications to:

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- 12.  $\boxtimes$  An extension of time for two (2) month(s) until November 13, 2003 has been submitted in parent Application No. 09/214,277 in order to establish copendency with the present application.
- 13. Also enclosed herewith is the following:

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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